House Resolution No. 62

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of Show-Me State residents who have risen to the top echelon of achievement in their chosen fields of endeavor; and

Whereas, Audrey Mitchell has attained considerable distinction during her long, productive association with Missouri Taco Hut, Incorporated, a gustatory enterprise which she has served as President since 1997; and

Whereas, Audrey Mitchell joined her family's restaurant business after graduation from college and worked her way through the ever-important positions of cashier, cook, janitor, maintenance person, assistant manager, manager, and vice president before accepting her current duties and responsibilities; and

Whereas, Audrey Mitchell has proven to be a highly positive influence in the restaurant business through her role as Chapter President of the Southwest affiliated chapter of the Missouri Restaurant Association, an esteemed professional organization which her father, Dr. John Gray, served as permanent Board Director; and

Whereas, the loving mother of two sons, Barrett and Gordon, Audrey Mitchell had her chicken salad recipe featured in Tyson's <u>Taste of the Times</u> cookbook in 1998, won First Place in Showmanship and Chili in the 2000 Kansas State Chili Cook-Off, and garnered numerous trophies for culinary excellence; and

Whereas, on Tuesday, January 13, 2004, Audrey Mitchell will be publicly hailed as 2003 Restaurateur of the Year by the Joplin/Southwest Chapter of the Missouri Restaurant Association at the Twin Hills Country Club of Joplin:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Audrey Mitchell as the 2003 Restaurateur of the Year by the Joplin/Southwest Chapter of the Missouri Restaurant Association and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes at this momentous time in her life; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Audrey Mitchell of Missouri Taco Hut, Incorporated.

Offered by
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Secon Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 62, adopted January 14, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker